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I'LL
PROTECT IT.

THIS PLACE
IS
IMPORTANT
TO ME.

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RO-KYU-BU!

SCENE 1

NANASIBA HIGH SCHOOL

HASEGAWA!

YES!

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DON'T LET 'EM THROUGH THE MIDDLE!

THAT GUY PLAYING THE MINIGAME - ISN'T THAT THE FRESHMAN TRIAL MEMBER?

YEAH, HE'S REALLY GOOD.

YOU KNOW KIRIHARA JUNIOR HIGH?

HE'S THE LEADER THAT PULLED IT UP FROM A PUNY SCHOOL TO THE PREFECTURAL SEMIFINALS IN JUST 3 YEARS!

SUBARU HASEGAWA!

TOWARDS MY GOAL!

I'VE FINALLY MADE IT THIS FAR

WE'VE GOT AN IMPORTANT ANNOUN-CEMENT.

SUGI-MOTO?

AS SOON AS YOU'RE DONE CLEANING UP, EVERYONE COME TO THE TEAM OFFICE.

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UMM... IS CAPTAIN MIZUSAKI HERE TODAY?

HEY!

HUH? THE TEAM CAPTAIN?

MONDAY, APRIL 11TH

1 WEEK SINCE I STARTED AT NANASHIBA HIGH. 4 DAYS SINCE I STARTED AS A TRIAL MEMBER OF THE BASKETBALL TEAM.

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FOR ONE YEAR,

THE BOYS' BASKET-BALL TEAM...

ON THAT DAY, MOST OF MY IDENTITY...

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IF WE DON'T SET UP ON TIME, THE UPPERCLASSMEN GET REALLY MAD!

HEY, HURRY UP!

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IS SUSPENDED. ALL ACTIVITIES ARE CANCELLED FOR THE YEAR.

HUH? WHY?

DID YOU HEAR? THE BOYS' BASKET-BALL TEAM'S BEEN SUSPE-NDED.

BECAUSE MIZUSAKI, THE CAPTAIN...

WHAAA?!

SHHH!

...DISAP-PEARED IN A FLASH.

...SO WHAT'S HASEGAWA GONNA DO?

HE GOT INTO THE SPORTS CLASS THROUGH A RECOMME-NDATION.

BUT NOW HE'S GOT NO CLUB...

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WHISPER WHISPER

YOU KNOW, THE BASKETBALL TEAM...

SUBA-RU...

WOW, HE SURE LOOKS DOWN.

HE CAN'T EVEN SHOW HIS FACE AROUND THE GENERAL ED CLASSES.

HEY THERE, LOLITA TEAM MEMBER!

THOSE OF US FROM THE SAME JUNIOR HIGH SHOULD CHEER HIM UP.

KAZUNARI! WHY WOULD YOU SAY THAT?!

YOU'RE STEPPING ON ME, OGIYAMA!

YOU'RE STEPP-ING ON MEEE!

YEAH. AND IT'S EASY TO SEE WHY THE CLUB ADVISOR'S SO UPSET.

I MEAN, THE CAPTAIN ELOPED WITH THE ADVISOR'S ONLY DAUGHTER!

AND NOT ONLY THAT,

THE CAPTAIN WAS THE ONLY ONE WHO DID ANYTHING WRONG...

I... DON'T KNOW WHAT TO SAY TO HIM.

HE DROPPED OUT OF SCHOOL, RIGHT?

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SHE'S STILL AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT!

MY FIRST WEEK'S OVER...

I CAN'T BELIEVE I'M HEADING HOME WHILE IT'S STILL THIS LIGHT OUTSIDE.

I NEVER EVEN REALLY GOT TO TALK WITH HIM.

I SAW HIM FOR THE FIRST TIME WHEN I WAS IN 7TH GRADE.

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I ALWAYS LOOKED UP TO HIM,

AND TRIED TO BE LIKE HIM,

AND FINALLY

THIS YEAR...

MIZUSAKI...

HEY THERE, LOLITA HOPEFUL!

I'M HOME.

I'M DONE.

WHAT-EVER.

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...ALUNT MIHO

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

I CAME TO SEE YOU!

...WHERE IS MOM?

SHOP-PING

AND SHOULDN'T YOU BE AT SCHOOL, AUNT MIHO?

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO BE A TEACHER, RIGHT?

OH, AND SUBARU, I HEARD FROM MY SISTER!

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ABOUT YOUR LOLITA COMPLEX BASKET-BALL CAPTAIN.

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I TOLD MOM NOT TO TELL YOU ALL THAT...

YEAH.

BUT ACTUALLY I HAVE A FAVOR TO ASK OF MY NEPHEW.

I'VE BEEN APPOINTED ADVISOR TO THE NEW GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM.

SO!

I'M ASKING SUBARU, SINCE YOU WERE THE BEST JUNIOR HIGH PLAYER IN THE PREFECTURE!

I'M REALLY IN A PINCH! I DON'T EVEN KNOW THE RULES OF THE GAME!

GIRLS'...

BASKET-BALL?

COACH MY GIRLS' BASKETBALL TEAM!

NO.

BECAUSE OF YOUR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!!

AND YOU KNOW WHY THAT IS?!

WHY NOT? YOU'VE GOT PLENTY OF TIME ON YOUR HANDS!

OF COURSE NOT!

HUH?

ARE YOU SAYING YOU ALSO LOSE CONTROL OF YOURSELF IN FRONT OF UNDERAGED GIRLS?

GOT INVOLVED WITH AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL STUDENT, RIGHT?

...WHAT DOES THAT HAVE TO DO WITH ANYTHING?

HUH?!

YOU HEARD, RIGHT? OUR CAPTAIN...

FORGET IT. I'M DONE WITH BASKETBALL.

I'M JUST SICK OF IT.

IT'D BE A PAIN.

I'M NOT DOING IT.

SO THERE'S NO PROBLEM!

...A PAIN?

...YEAH.

YOU'RE SICK OF IT?

YOU MEAN YOU'RE QUITTING BASKET-BALL?

DON'T RUN AWAY.

DON'T RUN AWAY FROM BASKETBALL.

A PAIN, YOU SAY?

A FULL-TIME BASKETBALL NUT LIKE YOU WOULDN'T SAY SUCH A THING.

YOU'RE NOT SICK OF IT.

YOU'RE SCARED.

SO YOU'RE PRETENDING YOU'VE BURNT OUT, SO YOU CAN JUST THROW IT ALL AWAY AND FEEL RELIEVED.

YOU'RE AFRAID OF LOSING THE SKILLS AND FAME YOU'VE BUILT UP SO FAR.

WHAT WOULD YOU KNOW ABOUT HOW I FEEL?!

SHUT UP!!

HUH

HEY SUBARU.

I DO KNOW ONE THING.

YOU WOULDN'T UNDERSTAND, AUNT MIHO!!

THEN WHY ELSE ARE YOU PUSHING BASKETBALL AWAY?

...?

YOU CAN STILL PLAY BASKET-BALL.

SO DON'T QUIT NOW.

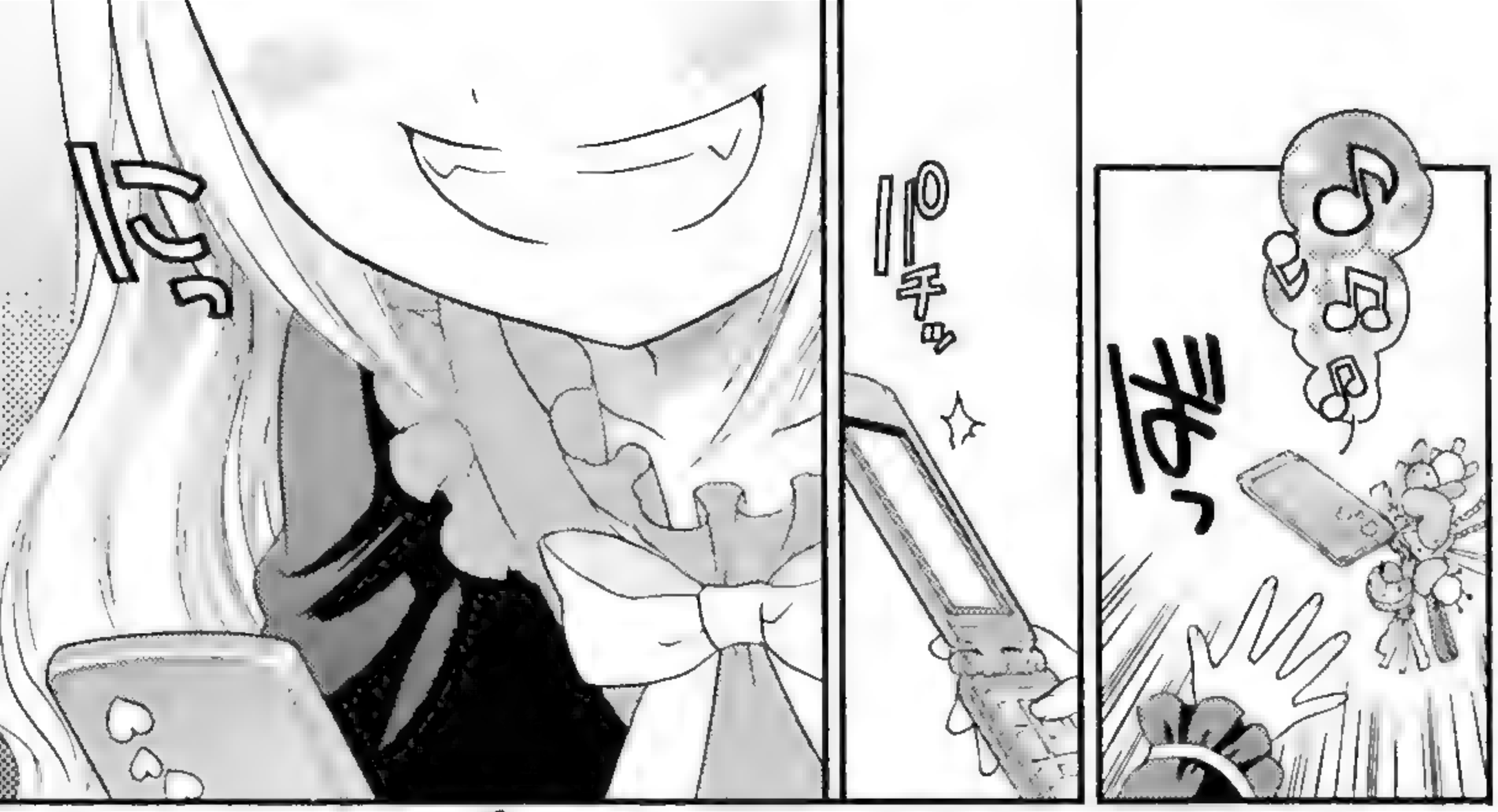
DON'T GIVE UP AT A ROUGH PATCH ON THE ROAD.

PLEASE.

JUST ONE WEEK.

JUST KEEP YOUR EYES ON THE BALL, AND THINK ABOUT IT.

IF YOU STILL WANT TO QUIT AFTER THAT, THEN I WON'T STOP YOU.



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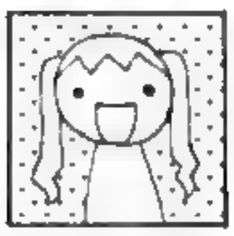
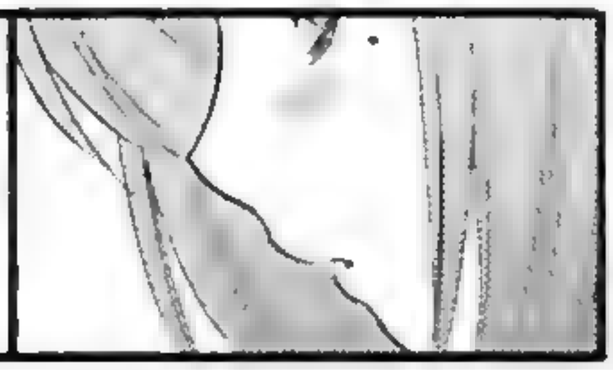


Mahomaho

Got a mail from Miitan! She's got us one week, and after that we're on our own!

Minato Tomoka

...One week. That's not enough. In that time we've got to get him to recognize our skills, and agree to teach us a little longer.



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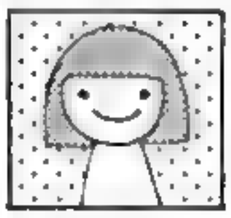

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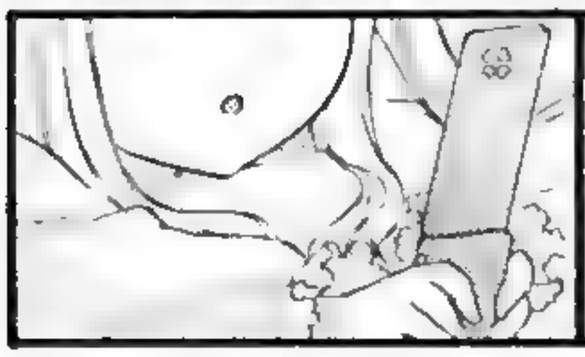
It's a boy, right? I hope he's not scary...



Hinata

Oh, is somebody scary coming?

MONDAY

1ST DAY OF COACHING

KUNIN PRIVATE SCHOOL

I CAN'T GO IN THERE!

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I'M GOING HOME.

IDIOT! COWARD!

YOU'RE LATE, SUBARU! I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR AGES!

OK THEN.

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WELL, I'LL GIVE YOU POINTS FOR MAKING IT TO THE SCHOOL GATE!

BUT I WON'T LET YOU A SINGLE STEP FARTHER!

THE TEMPORARY GIRLS' BASKETBALL COACH. REMEMBER HIM.

MS. TAKAM-URA? WHO'S THAT?

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STOP IT! LET ME GO!

BYE BYE, TEACHER!

BYE BYE NOW!

I HAVEN'T EXACTLY BEEN LOOKING FORWARD TO IT.

THIS IS AN AMAZING SCHOOL.

WE JUST WALKED PAST THE MIDDLE SCHOOL.

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THIS CLOCK IS THE ELEMEN-TARY SCHOOL YOU'VE BEEN WAITING FOR!

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WHAT AM I DOING HERE?!

I ACTUALLY CAME TO AN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

JUST GO IN FROM THE BACK, AND THE GIRLS' BASKET-BALL AREA WILL BE RIGHT IN FRONT OF YOU.

THEY'RE ALL ALREADY WAITING, SO I'LL LEAVE IT TO YOU!

BYE!

WHAA?!

WHAT ABOUT YOU, AUNT MIHO?!

YOU'RE THEIR ADVISOR!

GET TO WORK!

HEY, YOU'VE ONLY GOT A WEEK, YOU KNOW.

AND THEY ONLY PRACTICE EVERY OTHER DAY, SO IT'S ACTUALLY ONLY 3 DAYS.

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BUT...

...DAMMIT.

WE CAN ALL GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER OVER TIME.

IF YOU PROMISE TO COACH THEM PERMANENTLY, I COULD COME WITH YOU.

MWAR!

I'M SURE YOU'LL ALL GET TO KNOW EACH OTHER MORE QUICKLY IF I'M NOT IN THE WAY.

IF YOU TAKE YOUR TIME ABOUT IT, IT'LL BE OVER BEFORE YOU GET ANYTHING DONE.

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BE NICE, NOW!!!!!

I MEAN, I DON'T MIND COACHING.

I HAVE ON CHOICE BUT TO DO SO...

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GIRLS...

WITH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

BUT MEETING FOR THE FIRST TIME

OR NO, MAYBE I SHOULD BE MORE CASUAL AND FRIENDLY...

I SHOULD PROBABLY INTRODUCE MYSELF FORMALLY.

AH, THERE'S NO POINT IN THINKING ABOUT IT.

I'VE JUST GOTTA GO FOR IT!

TIP TIP TIP

WELCOME
HOME

MASTER!

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...I'M HALLUC-INATING.

I MUST BE SEEING THINGS ...

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MASTER!!

WELCOME HOME

MY NAME IS TOMOKA MINATO!

I'M A 6TH GRADER AT KEISHIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL!

MY NAME IS SAKI NAGATSUKA

ME TOO!

AND I'M MAHO MISAWA!

HINATA!

HINATA HAKAMADA.

I...

I'M AIRI KASHII...

MASTER!!

NICE TO MEET YOU

...?

UMMM...

FIRST OF ALL,

CAN YOU PLEASE STOP CALLING ME 'MASTER' ...?

...

UNDERSTOOD!!

BIG BROTHER!!